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Hongkong, November 8, 1878. ja1

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THE OPERA SEASON BEING
FINISHED,
M. B. JOHN ROLLINGS
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FAREWELL BENEFIT
In Hongkong,

ON
SATURDAY EVENING,
November 30th, 1878,
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On which occasion will be produced
Benedict's ROMANTIC OPERA

"THE LILY OF KILLARNEY,"

In Four Acts,
With all its Startling Effects.

MISS CLARA STANLEY AS EILY.

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Father Tom, Mr. PADDON.
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THE CELEBRATED WATER CAVE SCENE WILL
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ALL ITS STARTLING EFFECTS.

SYNOPSIS OF SCENERY:

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THE GAP OF DUNLOE.

COTTAGE AT MUCKROSS HEAD.

Mr. J. ROLLINGS and Miss B. DRAEGER

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GREGAN.

SCENE 2ND.—MOUNTAIN PASS.

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SCENE.

ACT IV.
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MUSICAL DIRECTOR, Mr. F. PANIZZA.

The Operas are produced under the Sole

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Dress Circle or Orchestra

Stalls, Two Dollars.

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Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen

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Hongkong, November 27, 1878.

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PAPERS will be thankfully received
at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

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Owners will be Responsible for any
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Wallace.—Captain.

ALTEO, British barque, Captain Robert
Falconer.—Captain.

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Gobyo.—Landelin & Co.

NAPIT, British barque, Capt. W. L.
Bryant.—Messageries Maritimes.

FIRTH OF FORTH, British barque, Capt.
J. Cowper.—Olyphant & Co.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, November 28, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

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"NAMOA,"

Capt. WESTBURY, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports

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light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

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NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"PEI HO,"

Commandant PASQUALINI, will be

despatched for SHANGHAI

on SATURDAY, the 30th Inst., at 9 a.m.

L. HENNEQUIN,

Actg. Agent.

Hongkong, November 28, 1878.

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PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

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Commandant DE GIRAUD, will be

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L. HENNEQUIN,

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they will do well to keep a watchful eye on their property. There are a good many house-seaiks prowling about who never miss an opportunity to become possessed of other people's goods, whether by day or night; in fact they find the daytime the safest at present owing to the light and pass system being again in full force. Their favorite hour is about dusk, or between $\frac{1}{2}$ past 5 and $\frac{1}{2}$ past 6 o'clock in the evening.

Our contemporaries of Manila seem to have a faculty for the marvellous, and their news items are therefore sometimes interesting. In the *Diario* of the 16th the following announcement appears:—"Illustrious Traveller.—Probably in the steamer *Diamants*, expected here on Thursday next, from China, will arrive at this capital the Governor General of Hongkong, who proposes to visit Manila and probably some other ports of the Archipelago. Preparations are being made to receive this high functionary." Mr Hennery seems fated by Dame Rumour to be sent to several parts of the globe at one and the same time. Such is the penalty of celebrated public men.

REAR-ADmirAL Patterson, now in command of the U. S. Asiatic squadron, thus writes to Washington under date of Sept 2nd:—

"The iron-clad *Audacious*, bearing the flag of Vice Admiral C. P. Hillyar, R. N., Commander-in-Chief of the British naval forces on the China station, sailed for Hoko-dadi on the 26th day of August, homeward bound.

When in company with him at Hongkong he repeatedly offered me the facilities of the Government Dock Yard and Naval Hospital, the latter of which the *Ranger* has had occasion to avail herself of. Our relations have been of the most friendly and cordial character, and I, as well as the officers generally of the squadron, have been particularly indebted to him for many official and social courtesies, which I take great pleasure in bringing to the notice of the department."

THOUGH much more interested in gas bills than Gas Company shares, we think it would be a wise proceeding financially if the Gas Company were to reduce the price of Gas. If this were done large numbers of Chinese would be induced to use gas in preference to oil. The Chinese are fully alive to the superiority of gas over oil, but what they chiefly look to is the price. Which is the most economical, they ask, gas or oil? Let the Gas Company place themselves in a position to answer "Gas" by reducing its present enormous price to something reasonable, and there is nothing to prevent the consumption being doubled. The Company will perhaps have us believe that any reduction is impossible; but in that case how is it that the two Shanghai Gas Companies can afford to supply it at a cheaper rate per 10.0. The consumption here is greater than in the Model Settlement, and is confined to one Company, whereas in Shanghai the spoils are shared by two Companies, each of which pays good dividends. If the Hongkong Gas Company were a local Company, they might see the wisdom of such a step, and the local Manager would deserve the thanks of the shareholders were he to strongly represent this matter to the home office. Shanghai labours under the same disadvantages as Hongkong as regards her supply of coal and the consumption being smaller one might reasonably infer that the cost of production per thousand feet is greater. Whilst speaking of gas we may notice that the primitive method of lighting street lamps is still resorted to here, viz., the ladder and hand-lamp. For years past at home the lamp-lighter has been enabled to dispense with the ladder, except to clean the lamps occasionally. We trust these few remarks may tend to throw a little light on the subject for the benefit of both shareholders and consumers. At present the Hongkong Gas Company is, as it were, standing in its own light, when it might benefit itself, its customers and shareholder, at the same time.

To-day was Thanksgiving-day amongst our American friends, and set apart as it is to commemorate events of a national character, it has a strong attraction to all Americans, even to those who are exiled in Hongkong and elsewhere. "Turkey Day" in the States is by no means forgotten out of the Union by those who look to the Great Republic for their original hearthstone. In order to give the day some sort of holiday appearance a race was got up for sailing ship's boats at the entrance fee being fixed at \$5. Five boats entered, viz., the *Moneta*, *Lizzie Perry*, *Spartan*, *Fleetwing*, and *Holspur*. They started from abreast the Naval Coal Sheds at Kowloong, and had to run twice round Stone-Cutter's Island and in, finishing off at a buoy a little to the eastward of the Coal Sheds. There was a moderate sailing breeze on this side of the Bay, but on the other side the wind was very light, and as a natural consequence the boats required very careful handling. The *Fleetwing*'s boat was a real *gaff* sloop, a great portion of which must

have been dispensed with if there had been a breeze worthy the name, otherwise it would have completely buried her. This very amplitude of canvas, however, was exactly what was requisite for the weather to-day, and she walked away from her rivals as though they had been at anchor. The *Lizzie Perry*'s boat, which at first appeared hopelessly out of the race, was very lucky in rounding the island, where the wind only came in fitful gusts and was very uneasy. She hugged the land, and by so doing had an advantage over those who stood more out in the open in search of a steady breeze. The *Lizzie Perry* thus not only had less distance to cover but the puffs from the gulleys forced her ahead, and she crept into third place. The race was somewhat uninteresting for lack of wind, and from the first it was evident to nearly everyone that the *Fleetwing*'s boat had it all her own way, unless a sharp breeze sprang up, and she drifted home a winner, a considerable distance ahead of her rivals; the *Spartan*'s boat being second, and the *Lizzie Perry*'s third. A good deal of money is said to have changed hands over the tussle.

The shipping, especially the men-of-war, was gay with bunting, but this was not alone owing to the fact of its being Thanksgiving day, as was evidenced by the Spanish flag being flown from the main of the vessels of war. This was an act of courtesy in recognition of the birthday of His Majesty the King of Spain, and salutes were fired in his honor. A salute was also fired from the Battery in honor of the Marq. Tseng, who embarked on board the *Amazon* to-day, in the Government steam-launch, en route to Europe.

(*L. and C. Express*, Oct. 18th.)

The *Curlew*, from the China Station, has arrived at Gibraltar, en route to Spithead, but is detained in order to carry out the duties of the *Express* while that ship is docked at Cadiz.

A telegram from Hongkong dated 16th inst., states that Governor Hennery's financial statement shows a favourable balance of \$740,000.

A new man-of-war, the *Nayezdnik*, is shortly to be added to the Russian navy. She is built clipper-fashion like the *Rosbnik*, launched at St. Petersburg a few months ago. The engines are now under construction at Messrs Peur's factory at Deptford. The length of the *Nayezdnik* is 212 feet, its breadth 33 feet, depth 14 feet, and its displacement 1,334 tons. Three 6-inch guns will be placed on a revolving platform on the upper deck, and four 4-pounder rifled guns on each side of the same deck. The vessel has been designed by a Russian architect, Captain Subbotin, who also drew the plans for the *Rosbnik*. The vessel is to be placed on the Pacific station, and will replace one of the ships at Vladivostok.

The departure of Sir Thomas Wade has been again postponed. Mr Nicolson, who has been for some time Second Secretary at Peking, has obtained leave and is now on the way home. Mr Fraser, the First Secretary, who has been Chargé d'Affaires during the absence of Sir Thomas Wade, will leave again, and may be expected home early in the ensuing year. We understand that the post of Chinese Secretary has not yet been filled up. On the arrival of Sir Thomas at Peking it is expected that there will be several changes in the posts of the Consular staff; but a complete arrangement, according to the late scheme, cannot be effected until the return or resignation of Sir Brooke, Robertson and Mr Morgan. Mr Octavius Johnston proceeded by last mail to Shanghai for orders.

His Excellency Kwo, accompanied by Li Fang Pao—who will shortly take charge of the Chinese Legation at Berlin—is on a tour in Scotland, and paid a visit to the Court of Session, in Edinburgh. They were conducted through the Parliament House by the Dean of Faculty. While in the second division they were invited by the Lord Justice Clerk to seats within the bar.

It is announced from St. Petersburg that the Russian Minister of Finance has allotted funds for the immediate construction of fifty-nine telegraph lines in Chinese Siberia and Turkestan. The majority will run from Tashkent in the direction of the various Russian outposts between Fort Petrovsk and Khabarovsk and the camp of Naryn on the Kashgarian frontier.

We hear that Mr Matsugata is now on a tour through the manufacturing districts of Great Britain, with a view of seeing how the production of staple goods can be inaugurated in Japan.

Mr Mowatt will, we understand, receive the appointment of Assistant Judge of the Supreme Court of China and Japan.

Lisbon.—Oct. 12, the *Cilurum*, Cardiff to Hong Kong, has been towed in with loss of fore-topmast, fore-topgallant-mast, and main-topgallant-mast, with yards and sails. Lieutenant Gerald King Harman, of the *Mosquito*, has been awarded the bronze medal of the Royal Humane Society for jumping overboard in the strong current of the Woosung River in the effort to save a man who had fallen overboard. Lieutenant Stephen Thompson, of the *Revenge*, has also received the bronze medal for saving a man who was capsized in a boat in Queen's Harbour.

Police Intelligence.

(*Before C. V. Cragg, Esq.*)

28th Nov., 1878.

Detention.

Peter McEuen, a seaman, belonging to the U. S. S. *Alert*, surrendered himself as a deserter from H. M. S. 25th Regiment in 1871 at Portsmouth. He was committed to gaol pending reference to the Military Authorities.

A NAVY OFFICER KILLED.

Chen Acheung, a chair-coolie, was charged by F. C. No. 628 (Abmed) with obstructing the footpath near the Club at Queen's Road. Defendant said it was another man's chair, not his; he told the constable this, but he did not understand him and took him in charge. Wong Ngoh Chi, sheriff of the W. Fong shop, Queen's Road, said he saw the defendant arrested, and the constable treated him very roughly by treading on his bare feet and thrusting his staff into defendant's side. Complainant stated that defendant was resisting, so he (complainant) beat him. Inspector Oratoff said he saw the defendant being brought to the station, and the constable illusing him. The defendant was going quietly along. My

Craigie fined the chair-coolie 25 cents for obstruction, and the constable \$5 for misconduct as a constable.

LARCENY.

Leung Aning, a blacksmith, was sent to 6 months' hard labour for stealing a bolt and a piece of copper, the property of Mr Sampson of the Harbour Department. Defendant admitted six previous convictions, and asked that he might be deported to Shanghai, his native place, after his release.

Ian Afuk, a hawker, was sent to 4 months' hard labour for being in unlawful possession of a fowl at night, and was fined \$10, or two months' further imprisonment for being out without a light or pass, and to be exposed in the stocks near the door of one of the theatres for 6 hours. The fowl was afterwards claimed by Mr Taufu.

CUTTING TREES.

Ip Wong Fat, a farmer, was fined \$10, or 6 weeks' hard labour, and to be exposed for 6 hours in the stocks at little Hongkong, for cutting young bamboo.

Manila.

(Translated from our Manila Exchanges.)

On the night of the 14th November, at about 10 o'clock, the Captain of the American barque *Masonic* was stabbed in the abdomen by the ship's steward with a table knife, and the wounded man died on the following morning between 2 and 3 o'clock. Dr. Ricardo Butke, from the injury he received. His remains were interred at the cemetery on the morning of the 15th. The *Masonic* put into this port on the 5th of November, on her voyage from New York to Nagasaki, with a cargo of kerosine. The wife of the Captain was on board when the crime was committed, and our readers may judge of her terrible desolation.

News has been received at Manila of November, on her voyage from New York to Nagasaki, with a cargo of kerosine. The wife of the Captain was on board when the crime was committed, and our readers may judge of her terrible desolation.

The musicians engaged by M. Jean Reiset for a band at Shanghai now number fourteen. They will shortly leave for their destination.

The appointment of Don Albino Menconi, Spanish Consul at Singapore, as Consul for Hongkong, has been gazetted.

A sale of cigars took place on the 18th Nov., and 8928 miles were sold for the total sum of \$13,562.42.

A slight shock of earthquake was felt at Manila on the 10th Nov. at 9.31 a.m., and the same shock was felt at Batapgas (Taal), at 9.27 a.m.

The British barque *John Nicholson* arrived from Shanghai on the 14th, and the German barque *Pallas* from Saigon on the 22nd November. The British barque *Brinell* left for Sydney on the 11th Nov.

In our latest Manila file we came across another case illustrative of the defects in the Customs administration of that country. It appears that on the British vessel *Esme alda* Captain Cullen, reaching Manila in one of her voyages from Hongkong, several packages of China tobacco and joss-luggages were found among the passengers.

These articles were not mentioned in the manifest or declaration furnished by the Captain of the steamer to the Custom House. The goods on being found were immediately seized, and as a matter of course, a fine of \$1053.12, equal to four times the amount of duty on those articles, was imposed on the Captain. Messrs Peebles, Hubbell & Co., the agents of the vessel, very properly appealed to higher authority against this proceeding on the part of the Customs' officials, on the plea that the goods found were not among the cargo of the steamer, but formed part of the passengers' luggage, and were therefore beyond the appeal was most unfavourable to the Captain and his crew.

Singapore, Oct. 31.—The Cabinet directs that an ultimatum be sent to Cabul and demands full acquiescence in our conditions or else an invasion will ensue.

The Viceroy protests against a further letter and postpones his Lahore trip to the end of November, when he will probably leave it.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 1.—A portion of the

Russian press protest against any direct

assistance being given to the Ameras

and advocate a benevolent Russian neutrality.

The *Golos* advises the Russian Government to prevent war between England and the Ameras.

The Russian army in Armenia has been reduced to a peace footing.

London, Nov. 2.—A great fire broke out yesterday in Maynord college, one wing being destroyed.

The New Egyptian Government loan of eight and a half millions has been con-

tracted with Rothschild. The transport *Malabar* left Portsmouth yesterday for Bombay.

London, Nov. 3.—The transport *Malabar*, which had started for Bombay, has been delayed, owing to an accident.

A difficulty has arisen between England

and America concerning the Newfoundland

Fisheries. A despatch has been received

from Mr Evarts, the American Secretary

of State, in which he expresses regret at the

occurrence being coincident with the settle-

ment of the Halifax award. The New

York press advocate non-compliance until

settled (sic).

Count Schouvaloff has gone to Livadia,

and the report is current that he will be

appointed Vice Chancellor. The insurrec-

tion is extending in Macedonia. The

insurgent forces are well organised.

London, Nov. 4.—The *Times* deprecates

the impotence of India in the Afghan ques-

tion and says that he garrisons will not be

unsupported if the Ameras should prove un-

yielding, but the Home Government must

decide whether the time has arrived to close

negotiations with a declaration of war.

There is no truth in the report that Eng-

land had asked the Powers to assist her in

enforcing the Treaty of Berlin. Consuls

on Saturday closed at 94 $\frac{1}{2}$, being a rise of

one-quarter.

Utar, Nov. 8.—The *Pioneer* states that it is

rumoured that Afghan troops have arrived

at Kandahar from Herat. The Ameras him-

self is at Jelafabad, determined to attack

the British at the Khyber Pass and Quetta.

The Viceroy demands a reply to his ultim-

atum by November 20th.

London, Nov. 4.—The *Dreder* announces

that France has made proposals to the great

Powers to mediate on behalf of Greece, and

that Italy and Germany have consented.

London, Nov. 5.—The Financial Secretary

for War, in a speech at Abingdon, stated

that England's ultimatum to the Ameras

informs him that he must dismiss the Rus-

sians from Afghanistan, and preserve his

neutrality.

London, Nov. 6.—Diplomatic correspond-

ence between M. Weddington and the

Marquis of Salisbury in reply to Lord

Salisbury's annullment of the occupation

of Cyprus by the Ameras has been pub-

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